

## PEACE IV Louth Programme Newsletter No 3 – October 2019



Welcome to the third edition of the Louth PEACE IV Newsletter.

The Louth PEACE IV Programme is currently implemented by Louth County Council as lead partner. €3.12 million has been allocated to the Action Plan in County Louth.

All Live projects are progressing well under the respective themes.



### Cross Border Youth Council Networking Project

The Cross Border Youth Council Networking Project is bringing young people together from both sides of the border to open dialogue around common issues and to develop initiatives to raise awareness, influence policy and to bring young people’s unique perspective to decision making. This project is unique, as it will develop a network between Youth Councils in Louth, Cavan, Monaghan, Dungannon, Armagh and Newry and Mourne.

The project was officially launched by Dundalk Youth Centre on 20<sup>th</sup> June with representatives of the youth groups in attendance.

The Peace IV Secretariat visited the project in July to see at first hand the positive impact the project is having on the young participants.

This project is supported by the European Union’s PEACE IV Programme, managed by the Special EU Programmes Body (SEUPB).

## ANTICLOCKWISE ART EXHIBITION

BASEMENT GALLERY  
AN TÁIN ARTS CENTRE  
OCTOBER WEDNESDAY 2ND TO SATURDAY 5TH  
10AM TO 4PM



We acknowledge the support of Louth County Council. Anticlockwise is a project supported by the European Union's PEACE IV Programme, managed by one Special EU Programmes Body (SEUPB).

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**DUNDALK YOUTH CENTRE**

**“Cattle Raid of Cooley” or Táin Bó Cúailnge by the project Anti – Clockwork at An Táin Arts Centre, Dundalk**



**The Peace IV Funded Cross Border Youth Council Networking Project in action**



## Creative Interventions

The project continues the Diverse Leaders' Project (2012-14) and the Peace of Art Project (2012-14). The development and coordination of a targeted project.

The plan is to continue to work with specific target groups, children and young people, new communities, minority faith groups: Muslim Community and Church of Ireland, disadvantaged young people in Muirhevnamor.

The project was officially launched by LMETB on 11<sup>th</sup> July and representatives of the participant groups were all in attendance.

The project has a number of initiatives focusing on inclusive local Community Initiatives involving Education, Culture Arts, Music and Sport. This will enable the project to develop meaningful and genuine cross community, inter-cultural and inter-denominational relationships that values and validates people equally.

4 Community based Projects will be delivered.

- Reaching out
- Intercultural Project in Irish Schools
- Muslim Community & Muirhevnamor Community Council
- Song lines



Launch of Creative Interventions Project at LMETB offices, July 2019



Children taking part in the Songlines Project



Children taking part in the Intercultural Project – Cross Border Schools Trad Project at Wellington Hall, Dundalk



Musical Director Zoe Conway and Eamonn Quinn Project Coordinator at the Cross Border School's Trad Project at Wellington Hall, Dundalk, August 2019

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## FROM ORIEL TO BREXIT

The project was launched on 2<sup>nd</sup> August at the Oriel Centre, Dundalk, Co Louth.

Diversity Challenges has received funding from Co. Louth Peace and Reconciliation Partnership, under the EU Peace IV Programme, to deliver ‘From Oriel to Brexit’ project – a cross-border project using the arts, music, poetry/prose, and theatre.

The following outputs from the project will be delivered.

- Concerts
- A book of poetry/prose plus filmed readings from the publication by the participants
- A play performed in five venues.



**PEACE IV Programme Manager Therese McArdle and Laurence McKeown, Project Coordinator at the Launch of “From Oriel to Brexit” August 2019**



**Launch of “From Oriel to Brexit” at the Oriel Centre in Dundalk Old Gaol**



**Musical Director Zoe Conway performing at the launch of “From Oriel to Brexit”**



## Engagement and Signposting Service

The development and co-ordination of a targeted project – Engagement and Signposting Service.

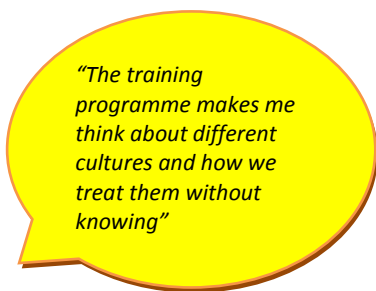
This project was officially launched on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019 in the Clogherhead Community Centre.

Youth Work Ireland Louth have received funding from Co. Louth Peace and Reconciliation under the PEACE IV programme to deliver “Engagement and Signposting Service”.

The project will provide a mobile, specialist outreach service to reach out to groups of young people (16 – 24 year olds) at a risk on weekend nights, engage with them around their risk behaviours and signpost supports and opportunities that are available to them.



Erin Finnegan Project Coordinator & Therese McArdle PEACE IV Programmes Manager at the launch of “Engagement and Signposting Service”, September 2019

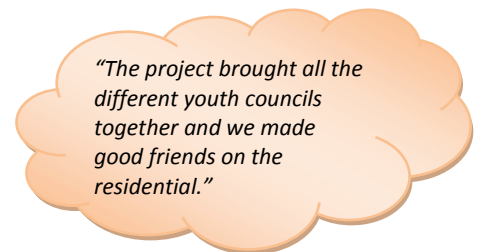


*“The training programme makes me think about different cultures and how we treat them without knowing”*

### Quotes from PEACE IV participants



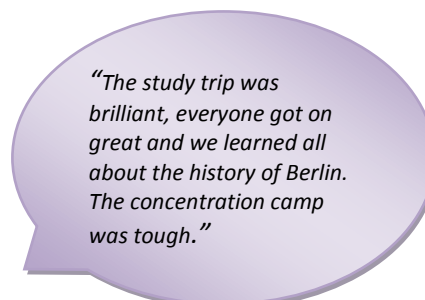
*“I got to meet local politicians in the youth centre. I think they actually listened to us...”*



*“The project brought all the different youth councils together and we made good friends on the residential.”*



*“I really enjoyed meeting the other groups, we have more in common than I thought.”*



*“The study trip was brilliant, everyone got on great and we learned all about the history of Berlin. The concentration camp was tough.”*

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